



Office of University Partnerships

**Hispanic Serving Institutions
Assisting Communities (HSIAC)**

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Ethnic-Based Programs

Hispanic-Serving Institutions Assisting Communities
(HSIAC)

Alaskan Native/Native Hawaiian Institutions Assisting
Communities (AN/NHIAC)

Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP)

Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU)



HISPANIC SERVING INSTITUTIONS ASSISTING COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM

Eligible Applicants

Two- and four-year non-profit colleges and universities must meet statutory HSI definition:

- ◆ 25% of full-time students are Hispanic
- ◆ Listed on the U.S. Dept. of Education's list of HSIs or be able to self certify status



Purpose

To expand the role and effectiveness of HSIs in addressing community development needs in their communities in areas such as:

- ◊ Housing
- ◊ Economic Development
- ◊ Community Development
- ◊ Neighborhood Revitalization



Eligible Activities Requirement

Must meet one of the three Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) national objectives:

1. Benefit to low- and moderate-income persons
2. Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight
3. Meet other community development needs having a particular urgency



Eligible Activities Requirement

Must fall under an authorized CDBG category:

- ◆ Acquisition of Property
- ◆ Disposition
- ◆ Public Facilities Improvement
- ◆ Clearance
- ◆ Public Service
- ◆ Interim Assistance
- ◆ Relocation
- ◆ Loss of Rental Income
- ◆ Rehabilitation
- ◆ Construction of Housing
- ◆ Code Enforcement
- ◆ Special Economic Development
- ◆ Microenterprise
- ◆ Homeownership
- ◆ Planning and Capacity
- ◆ Energy Efficiency



Other Program Requirements

- ◆ Grant requests cannot exceed \$600,000 for 3 years
- ◆ Only one application from an institution and/or a campus from an institution is allowed
- ◆ Site Control must be demonstrated within one year or funds may be recaptured; including the environmental review in accordance with 24CFR part 50.



Selection Factors

FACTOR 1 – CAPACITY AND RELEVANT ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- ◇ Recent and relevant knowledge and skills of staff to undertake eligible program activities
- ◇ Demonstration of successful community development projects
- ◇ Proven leadership in solving community problems



Selection Factors

FACTOR 2 – NEED/EXTENT OF PROBLEM (10 points)

This means documentation with narration!

- ◇ Extent and urgency of need and indication of importance in meeting the need(s)

- ◇ Applicants must use current data specific to the target area

- ◇ Reliable data sources can be found at www.econdata.com or www.ffiec.gov



Selection Factors

FACTOR 3 – SOUNDNESS OF APPROACH

1. Quality of the Work Plan

- ◇ Specific Services and/or Activities (16 points)
- ◇ Work Plan Impact (16 points)
- ◇ Involvement of Faculty (5 points)
- ◇ HUD Policy Priorities (3 points)

2. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (3 points)



Selection Factors

FACTOR 4 – LEVERAGING

- ◆ Ability of applicant to secure additional resources
- ◆ Funds and/or in-kind donations (that are quantified in \$ amounts))
- ◆ Must have letters of commitment to be counted (include internal commitments and level of commitment)



Selection Factors

FACTOR 5 – ACHIEVING RESULTS AND PROGRAM EVALUATION

This factor reflects HUD's goals to embrace high standards of management and accountability.

Applicants must clearly identify outcomes oriented goals with an ability to evaluate and measure performance for each activity proposed under the program.



Selection Factors

HELPFUL TIPS!!!

- ◆ Factors 2 and 5 are the same for all three university programs
- ◆ If applying for more than one grant program use the same narratives whenever feasible



Reminders for Successful Proposals

- ◆ Answer each one of the factors
- ◆ Get to the point
- ◆ Make sure all appropriate forms and letters are included and signed
- ◆ Proofread the entire proposal
- ◆ FOLLOW ALL GUIDELINES
- ◆ START AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE



Funding Process

- ◆ Program Solicitations (SuperNOFA)
- ◆ Competitive Selection Process
- ◆ Award of Grant Funds



For More Information

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ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION INFO AT

www.Grants.gov

1/800-518-GRANTS



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